

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Exhibit 3

# INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE Washington, D.C. 20224

#### SMALL BUSINESS/SELF-EMPLOYED DIVISION

## Memorandum of Summons Interview

Date: October 28, 2024

IRS Interviewers in person: Jean Lane, Revenue Agent

Jeremy Matthews, Revenue Agent

Javier Cortes, OPI Analyst

Other IRS Employees present

on Teams call: Bryant Smith, IRS Counsel Attorney

Erika Ramirez-Castillo, Group Manager of Agents Lane and Matthews

Others present on Teams Call: Sanford Boxerman, Attorney for Ana Izquierdo

Michelle Schwerin, Attorney for Ana Izquierdo Kristen Stokes, Attorney for Ana Izquierdo

Interviewee: Ana Izquierdo

Subject: Interview of Ana Izquierdo for summons served on June 13, 2024

On October 28, 2024, starting at approximately 3:15 pm EST, Revenue Agent Jean Lane (hereafter referred to as "Agent Lane") and Revenue Agent Jeremy Matthews (hereafter referred to as "Agent Matthews") of the Internal Revenue Service interviewed Ana Izquierdo, (hereafter referred to as "Izquierdo") at the IRS office located at City View 2, Suite 2000, 48 Carr 165, Guaynabo, PR 00968.

Prior to the interview, on 10/7/2024, Agent Lane and IRS Counsel Attorney Bryant Smith (hereafter referred to as ("Smith") had discussions with Izquierdo's representatives, Attorneys Sanford Boxerman (hereafter referred to as "Boxerman") and Michelle Schwerin (hereafter referred to as "Schwerin") of Neill Schwerin Boxerman, P.C. Boxerman and Schwerin had informed Agent Lane that Izquierdo did not show up for the summons appearance on July 11, 2024 since she had not received the summons. It was agreed on this call that Agent Lane would fax the summons to Schwerin and Izquierdo would come to the IRS office in Guaynabo, PR for the summons appearance on October 28, 2024 and she will not argue improper or no service of the summons in future summons enforcement actions.

Izquierdo confirmed her identity and said the following:

Izquierdo is an attorney licensed in Puerto Rico. Izquierdo became an attorney on 2/5/2014. Izquierdo passed the bar exam in Texas, but she is not licensed yet in Texas to practice law. Izquierdo's current practice areas are Business Law, Tax Law, and Puerto Rico Incentives. In the past, Izquierdo has also specialized in HR Law and Anti-Trusts.

Izquierdo said she worked as am employee of TLS, which includes TLS Management and Marketing Services and all other TLS Divisions and related companies (hereafter referred collectively as "TLS"), from April 2017 to February 21, 2021. Izquierdo always worked in Puerto Rico for TLS. She never worked in the U.S. for TLS. Izquierdo said she has not provided any services to TLS since she stopped her employment at TLS.

Izquierdo has never performed services directly for Jeremy Colombik.

Izquierdo has never made CPR presentations to TLS clients.

Izquierdo contributed \$100 to ACIH Irrevocable Grantor Trust and the Trust Protector of this trust, Neysa Gonzalez Rodriguez, has not changed.

Izquierdo has not been a Trustee of any other trust used in the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy other than she was Trustee for ACIH Irrevocable Grantor Trust.

Izquierdo is not aware of any ownership changes at TLS in the last 3-4 years and she does not know who currently manages TLS. Izquierdo does not know if David Runge or Richard Colombik still work at TLS.

Izquierdo refused to answer most all questions asked by Agent Lane, invoking Attorney Client Privilege, 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment and/or Work Product Privilege to most questions. IRS Counsel Attorney Smith discussed that he did not agree Attorney Client Privilege could be invoked in response to some questions, but Boxerman and Schwerin stated that if the Attorney Client Privilege could not be invoked, Izquierdo is still invoking her 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment Rights. Smith discussed that to invoke the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment, the subject must have a fear of incriminating herself. Attorneys Boxerman and Schwerin agreed with Izquierdo invoking the 5th Amendment and other privileges as they were raised, claiming in some cases it could apply as to how she became aware of the information.

Izquierdo answered the following questions, invoking Attorney Client Privilege, 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment and/or Work Product Privilege as noted:

1) Did you ever write any legal opinions for TLS or for someone else that were used by TLS, or are currently being used by TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and the 5th Amendment

2) From whom did you first hear about TLS? 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

describe your relationship with this person(s).

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

- 3) When did you first start working for Tax Law Solutions ("TLS")? **April 2017**
- 4) Were you an employee or contractor?

Always an Employee

5) Did you work in Puerto Rico or in the U.S. or both?

**Only in Puerto Rico** 

6) Who was your supervisor/boss?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

7) Did you sign an employment contract with TLS?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

If yes, describe provision of this contract.

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

8) How were you compensated by TLS? (ie. Hourly, salary, bonus, etc)

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

9) What were your job duties at TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

10) Are you still employed by TLS?

No

If no, when did you stop employment?

2/21/2021

Why did you stop employment?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

- 11) Have you provided any services to TLS since your stopped employment with TLS? **No**
- 12) Have you ever performed other services for TLS outside your employment contracts? **Attorney Client Privilege and 5**<sup>th</sup> **Amendment**

If yes, scope of services and types of services?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

13) Did you perform services directly for David Runge?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

If yes, describe in detail what services were provided Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

How were you compensated?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

14) Did you perform services directly for Richard Colombik?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

If yes, describe in detail what services were provided **Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment** 

How were you compensated?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

15) Did you perform services for Management Services International ("MSI")? **5**<sup>th</sup> **Amendment** 

If yes, describe in detail what services were provided

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

How were you compensated?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

16) Did you perform services directly for Jeremy Colombik?

No

17) Did you perform services directly for TLS?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

If yes, describe in detail what services were provided

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

How were you compensated?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

18) How many hours a week did you perform services for TLS as an employee?

19) Describe your duties while working at TLS.

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

20) Was your compensation ever split up as both W-2 wages and as a contractor in Puerto Rico (480.6B)? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

If yes, why were you paid this way?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

21) Do/did you ever have ownership in TLS and/or a TLS Division?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

22) Do or did you ever work with TLS clients directly and/or perform services for TLS clients??

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

a. If yes, describe the type of work you did for TLS client.

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

b. Did you meet with the TLS clients directly?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

c. How was this work billed (ie. Billed to TLS Division, or directly to the client)

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

23) What percentage of your time was spent working directly for TLS Clients vs. for TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

24) Were you ever involved with developing the tax positions on strategies taken by TLS or Management Services International ("MSI") on any of the strategies offered by TLS to clients?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

a. Fringe benefits

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

b. TLS Division (Puerto Rico) providing services to U.S. clients

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

c. Micro-captives

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

d. Deferred compensation

25) Describe your involvement for each strategy.

**Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment** 

26) Who else was involved in developing the tax position on the strategies?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

27) What would the options be for a TLS client to receive Distributions from their respective TLS Division while you were employed by TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

28) What were clients told about the taxability of distributions they received from their TLS Division while you were employed by TLS?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment and may also be Attorney Client Privilege

Did you agree with this tax position?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

29) What were clients told about taking loans from their TLS Division while you were employed by TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

30) What were the clients told about the taxability of any loans they received from their TLS Division while you were employed by TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

31) Who created the presentations made to potential clients for all of the various strategies offered by TLS?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

32) Who made the presentations to potential clients of TLS to discuss the various strategies offered by TLS?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

33) Who created the original Capital Preservation Report ("CPR")?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

34) Did you assist with drafting a CPR?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

If yes, what parts?

35)	Did you	ever n	nake CPR	presentation	s to	clients	?
	No						

- 36) Do you know who made the CPR Presentations? 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 37) Walk through the steps for a CPR presentation made to a client. Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 38) What types of services did TLS or a TLS Division provide to the client? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 39) How was the pricing of these services determined? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 40) Who was involved with the pricing of these services? 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 41) Did you ever have a discussion with anyone at TLS about recommending a TLS client move their owner and/or their U.S. employees under the TLS Division?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

If yes, provide details of these discussions Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

- 42) What was the main goal behind moving the client owner and/or employees under the TLS Division? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 43) Was there ever a concern that TLS Clients did not pay adequate wages/payments to Puerto Rico employees to qualify for Puerto Rico Act 20 benefits?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

Describe the concerns

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

44) Who had these concerns?

# **Puerto Rico Trust Strategy**

45) Puerto Rico Trust Strategy means the strategy utilized by TLS to have a Puerto Rico Trust become the owner of each TLS Division.

Are you familiar with the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

Who did you first discuss the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy with?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

When was this?

5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

46) Who first came up with the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

47) Why was the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy pursued?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

48) Whose idea was it to pursue the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5th Amendment

- 49) Who did the research to come up with the tax position for the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy? **Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5**th **Amendment**
- 50) What was your role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 51) What was D. Scott Robinson's role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5th Amendment

- 52) What is David Runge's role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy? **Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment**
- 53) What is Richard Colombik's role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5th Amendment

- 54) What is Christopher Hynes' role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy? **Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment**
- 55) What was Roberto Santos' role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

  Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 56) What is Marilyn Cruz's role in the development and utilization of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy? **Attorney Client and Work Product Privileges and 5**th **Amendment**
- 57) How did Marilyn Cruz become involved with the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy? **Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment**
- **58)** Why did you create the ACIH Irrevocable Grantor Trust on 2/1/2019? **Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment** 
  - a. Was this Trust utilized in the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?
     Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment and potentially Work Product Privilege
  - b. Are you the Grantor and Trustee of this Trust?5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
  - Why was this Trust structured this way?
     Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
  - d. Did you contribute \$100 to the Trust? **Yes**
  - e. Are you and WYR 2019-1 both still beneficiaries of his Trust? **5**<sup>th</sup> **Amendment**
  - f. How was the Trust Protector Neysa Gonzalez Rodriguez selected? 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
    - i. Has the Trust Protector changed?No
  - g. Did you have ownership in a TLS Division or another Puerto Rico Act 20 company that contributed additional assets to the Trust?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment

59) Why was the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy changed from having a Puerto Rico Trust that has a TLS Client owner as the beneficiary of the trust to having S2C2 Irrevocable Grantor Trust as the beneficiary of all of the TLS Divisions participating in Puerto Rico Trust Strategy?

Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment

a. Who determined this change in ownership should be made?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

60) Was anyone at TLS or the consultants for the Puerto Rico Trust Strategy concerned that if the TLS Client owner was the beneficiary of the Puerto Rico Trust, distributions to this trust by the TLS Division would not be considered Puerto Rico source income.

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

- 61) What was the role in the Puerto Rico Strategy for each of the following?:
  - a. S2C2 Irrevocable Grantor Trust

Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment

Who came up with S2C2 as the Beneficiary of each TLS Division? Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment

- b. WYR 2019-2 Grantor Trust (U.S. Trust) Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment
- c. Sub-trusts Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment
- d. Series LLCs

Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment

- i. Why were these used in the strategy? Attorney Client and Work Product Privilege and 5th Amendment
- ii. Why did Marily Cruz have unused Series LLCs available? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 62) For the original Puerto Rico Trust Strategy where the TLS client owner was the beneficiary of the Puerto Rico Trust:
  - a. Who was the grantor of each of these Puerto Rico Trusts? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
  - b. Who was the beneficiary of each of these Puerto Rico Trusts? Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment
- 63) Were you the trustee of any other trust utilized in any of the Puerto Rico Trust Strategies other than ACIH Irrevocable Grantor Trust? No

- 64) Were Series LLCs and Sub-Trusts used in the original Puerto Rico Trust structure? **Attorney Client Privilege and 5**th **Amendment**
- 65) Who is Meridian Trust Company? 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 66) Did you ever work with or for Meridian Trust Company? **Attorney Client Privilege and 5**th **Amendment**
- 67) During your employment with TLS, did David Runge or Richard Colombik have any ownership interest in Meridian Trust Company?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

If so, details of ownership

Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment

- 68) What relationship does TLS, David Runge, and Richard Colombik have with Meridian Trust?

  Attorney Client Privilege and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 69) Are you aware of any ownership changes in TLS in the last 3-4 years? **No**
- 70) Who currently manages TLS? **Don't know**

### **David Runge and Richard Colombik:**

- 71) What roles/position did David Runge have at TLS when you worked at TLS? **Attorney Client Privilege (based on communications) and 5**<sup>th</sup> **Amendment**
- 72) Does David Runge still work at TLS? **Don't know**
- 73) What roles/position did Richard Colombik have at TLS when you worked at TLS? Attorney Client Privilege (based on communications) and 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- 74) Does Richard Colombik still work at TLS? **Don't know**

75) Based on your observations during your employment at TLS, did David Runge reside in Puerto Rico over half the year during each of your years of employment?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

76) Based on your observations during your employment at TLS, did Richard Colombik reside in Puerto Rico over half of the year during each of your years of employment?

Attorney Client Privilege and 5th Amendment

Agents Lane and Matthews and Counsel Attorney Smith discussed that enforcement actions will be requested for Izquierdo's testimony related to the summons served to Izquierdo on June 13, 2024.

This memorandum of interview was prepared by Agent Jean Lane and finalized on October 31, 2024 after reviewing the notes made during and immediately after the interview with Izquierdo by Agent Lane and Agent Matthews.

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